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1. Official correspondence between the headquarters of the CTAL in Mexico City and the Peruvian Communist Party (PCP) does not exist, because of the outlawed status of the Peruvian Party, but Communist labor leaders in Peru who are officials of established labor unions regularly receive propaganda and information material from CTAL headquarters.
2. Julio Cesar Pastor, secretary general of the Party's Cuzco Departmental committee and an officer of the Confederacion de Trabajadores del Cuzco, recently received news from CTAL headquarters concerning the projected labor congress in Montevideo, which, according to source, Peruvian Communists expect to be similar to the WFTU congress held in Peking.
3. There is no WFTU affiliate in Peru at present, but one of the resolutions approved at the Communist-sponsored labor congress in Arequipa last December recommended a unified labor movement to be affiliated with the WFTU. The Peruvian Party reportedly desires official affiliation with the WFTU, but since no master labor organization exists in Peru, and since the Peruvian Communist Party is outlawed, it is impossible to maintain contact with the WFTU except in an unofficial way through the CTAL.
4. It is reported that Peruvian labor leaders Juan P. Luna and Alipio Orbegoso, both dissident Communists who were formerly connected with the CTAL, rarely receive personal communications from the CTAL, although Luna is on the mailing list of the CTAL's secretariat.
5. Instructions and guidance received in Peru from the CTAL are in the form of reports on world developments and follow the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) line.
6. Among individuals receiving material from the CTAL are the following:
 - a. Julio Cesar Pastor, Cuzco
 - b. Augusto Chavez Bedoya, a member of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Arequipa and secretary general of the Communist Party's Arequipa departmental committee.
 - c. Simon Herrera Farfan, Communist labor leader in Cuzco.
 - d. Francisco Viale, Socialist labor leader among oil workers.

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7. Much of the CTAL material which arrives in Lima is addressed to Eliceo Garcia Lazo, former national syndical secretary of the Communist Party, at Colmena 669. Since Garcia no longer holds this post and is not in Lima, correspondence for him is turned over by the present occupant of Colmena 669, Communist member Juan Oliva Lezama, to the current national syndical secretary of the Party, Manuel Cabrera Briones.* The Peruvian weekly news-magazine 1950 is also on the CTAL mailing list.

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